

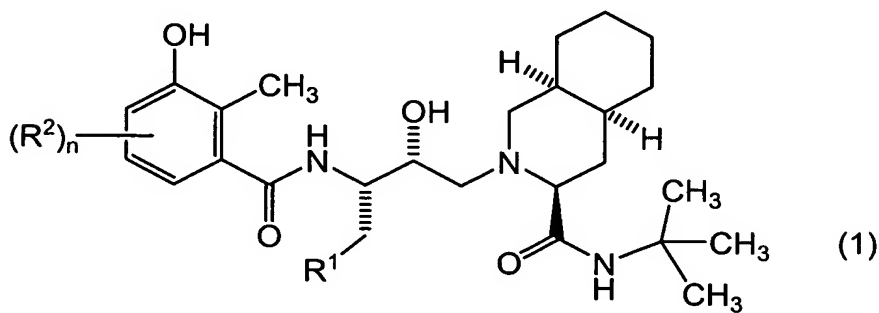
Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces any and all prior claim lists.

Listing of Claims:

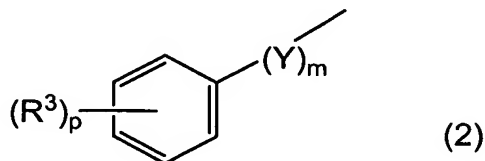
Claim 1 (original). An anti-coronavirus agent comprising as an active ingredient a compound represented by formula (1):

Formula (1)



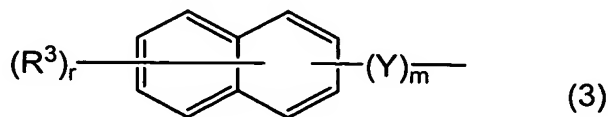
wherein each R¹ represents formula (2) or (3) below:

Formula (2)



wherein Y is S, O or NH; each R³ is independently a C₁-C₄ alkyl group, C₁-C₄ alkoxy group, C₁-C₄ alkylamino group, amido group, carboxy group, amino group, hydroxy group, or halogen atom; m is 0 or 1, and p is an integer from 0 to 5

Formula (3)



wherein Y, R³ and m are as above; ~~p is 0 or 1~~, and r is an integer from 0 to 6;

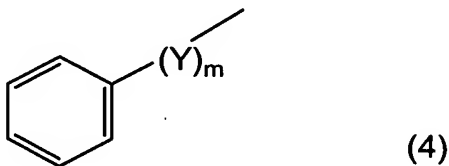
R² is independently a C₁-C₄ alkyl group, C₁-C₄ alkoxy group, C₁-C₄ alkylamino group, amido group, carboxy group, amino group, hydroxy group, or halogen atom; and

n is an integer from 0 to 3;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 2 (original). An anti-coronavirus agent according to Claim 1, wherein R¹ in formula (1) is formula (4)

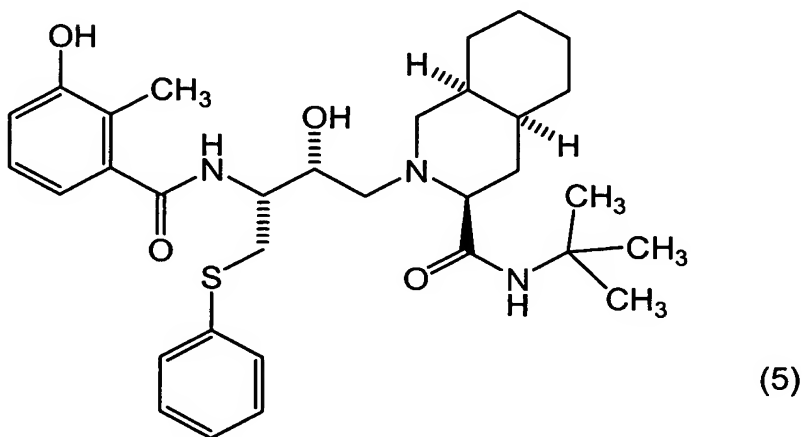
Formula 4



wherein Y is S, O or NH; and m is 0 or 1.

Claim 3 (original). An anti-coronavirus agent according to Claim 1, wherein the compound represented by formula (1) is the compound represented by formula (5).

Formula (5)



Claim 4 (currently amended). An anti-coronavirus agent according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 3~~ Claim 1, wherein the coronavirus is a SARS-associated coronavirus.

Claim 5 (currently amended). An anti-coronavirus agent according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 4~~ Claim 1, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable salt of the compound represented by formula (1) is a methanesulfonate.

Claim 6 (currently amended). An anti-SARS agent comprising the anti-coronavirus agent according to ~~any one of Claims 1 to 5~~ Claim 1 as an active ingredient, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient and/or diluent.

Claim 7 (original). A method for treating SARS using the anti-SARS agent according to Claim 6.